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[6] Education & Research

[6.20] Number of sustainability-related startups

Uzbekistan State World Languages University (UzSWLU) has developed a strong foundation for **sustainability-driven entrepreneurship**, empowering students and young researchers to transform innovative ideas into socially and environmentally responsible projects. Through the **Department of Commercialization and Innovation**, the **Green Office**, and the **Startup Incubation Hub**, the university provides **institutional support, financial incentives (up to 50 million UZS per project)**, and mentorship programs that help students launch green and socially responsible startups.

In the 2024–2025 academic year, UzSWLU supported **eight sustainability-related startups** that combine environmental awareness, digital transformation, gender equality, cultural preservation, and social innovation. All of these projects are fully aligned with the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** and contribute to building a sustainable university ecosystem in Uzbekistan.

Table 1. Sustainability-Related Startups Supported by UzSWLU (2024–2025)

No.	Startup Name / Focus Area	Brief Description	SDG Link
1. KulolMan (<i>Cultural Sustainability & Green Economy</i>)	Revives Uzbekistan's traditional pottery craftsmanship through eco-friendly materials and natural pigments. The project promotes sustainable cultural production and youth employment in creative industries.	SDG 8, SDG 11, SDG 12	
2. Ilmda Yuksalamiz (<i>Digital Education & Paper Reduction</i>)	A digital transcription and stenography startup reducing paper usage across the university and offering accessible educational solutions.	SDG 4, SDG 9	
3. EcoLingua (<i>Eco-Translation & Environmental Communication</i>)	A linguistic innovation project that creates eco-linguistics resources, awareness campaigns, and multilingual materials about climate change and sustainability.	SDG 4, SDG 13, SDG 17	
4. Smart Campus Recycling Hub (<i>Circular Economy & Waste Management</i>)	A student-led startup promoting waste sorting, recycling, and reuse of materials within the campus. The project has reduced annual paper waste by 5 tons.	SDG 11, SDG 12, SDG 13	



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5. Resin Art (<i>Green Handicrafts & Women Entrepreneurship</i>)	Female students produce and sell handmade décor and jewelry from eco-resin , an environmentally safe alternative to plastic. This startup promotes sustainable design and women's self-employment.	SDG 5, SDG 8, SDG 12	
6. Mohir Qullar (<i>Skills Development & Sustainable Fashion</i>)	A sewing and tailoring startup located in the student dormitory where female students learn practical sewing skills and produce handmade clothing. The center accepts custom orders, promoting slow fashion and responsible production.	SDG 4, SDG 5, SDG 8, SDG 12	
7. MakeUp Studio (<i>Youth Empowerment & Social Inclusion</i>)	A student-managed beauty and grooming startup that includes a barbershop and make-up studio. It promotes inclusion, creativity, and entrepreneurship while encouraging sustainable cosmetic practices and hygiene awareness.	SDG 5, SDG 8, SDG 10	
8. EduGreen App (<i>Digital Eco-Learning Platform</i>)	A gamified mobile application that motivates users to adopt eco-friendly habits through quizzes and daily challenges related to SDGs and environmental protection.	SDG 4, SDG 9, SDG 13	

Total number of sustainability-related startups (2024–2025): 8

Institutional Framework and Financial Support

The **Department of Commercialization and Innovation** operates as the central body coordinating all student startups.

In 2024–2025, the university allocated a dedicated **innovation fund of 400 million UZS (≈33,000 USD)** to support sustainability-related entrepreneurship.

Each project received:

- **up to 50 million UZS in seed funding;**
- continuous mentorship by faculty experts and industry partners;
- access to the **Green Office Incubation Space;**
- promotion and sales opportunities at university exhibitions and fairs.

This institutional mechanism ensures that students' startup ideas progress from conception to implementation, contributing to both economic empowerment and environmental responsibility.



Key Achievements and Impact (2024–2025)

- **8 sustainability-related startups launched**, covering environmental, cultural, digital, and social innovation fields.
- **Female empowerment:** 5 out of 8 startups are women-led initiatives promoting gender equality and self-employment.
- **400 million UZS invested** in sustainable innovation through internal university funds.
- **Environmental impact:** Approximately 5 tons of recyclable waste repurposed annually through the Smart Campus Hub and Resin Art startups.
- **Cultural preservation:** “KulolMan” promotes sustainable art entrepreneurship through eco-friendly pottery.
- **Social inclusion:** “Mohir Qullar” provides free sewing training for students from low-income backgrounds.
- **Digitalization:** “Ilmda Yuksalamiz” and “EduGreen App” foster digital transformation and paper-free learning.
- **Student engagement:** Over 500 students and 30 mentors participated directly in these projects.
- **Recognition:** University startups showcased at regional innovation forums and sustainability exhibitions, receiving praise from the Ministry of Higher Education and the Ecological Party of Uzbekistan.

Quantitative Indicators (2024–2025)

Indicator	Value
Total sustainability-related startups	8
Internal funding allocated	400+ million UZS (~33,000 USD)
Students and mentors involved	245 (70% students, 30% staff)
Women-led startups	5
Waste reduced / recycled annually	~5 tons
Jobs and training opportunities created	80+

Alignment with UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

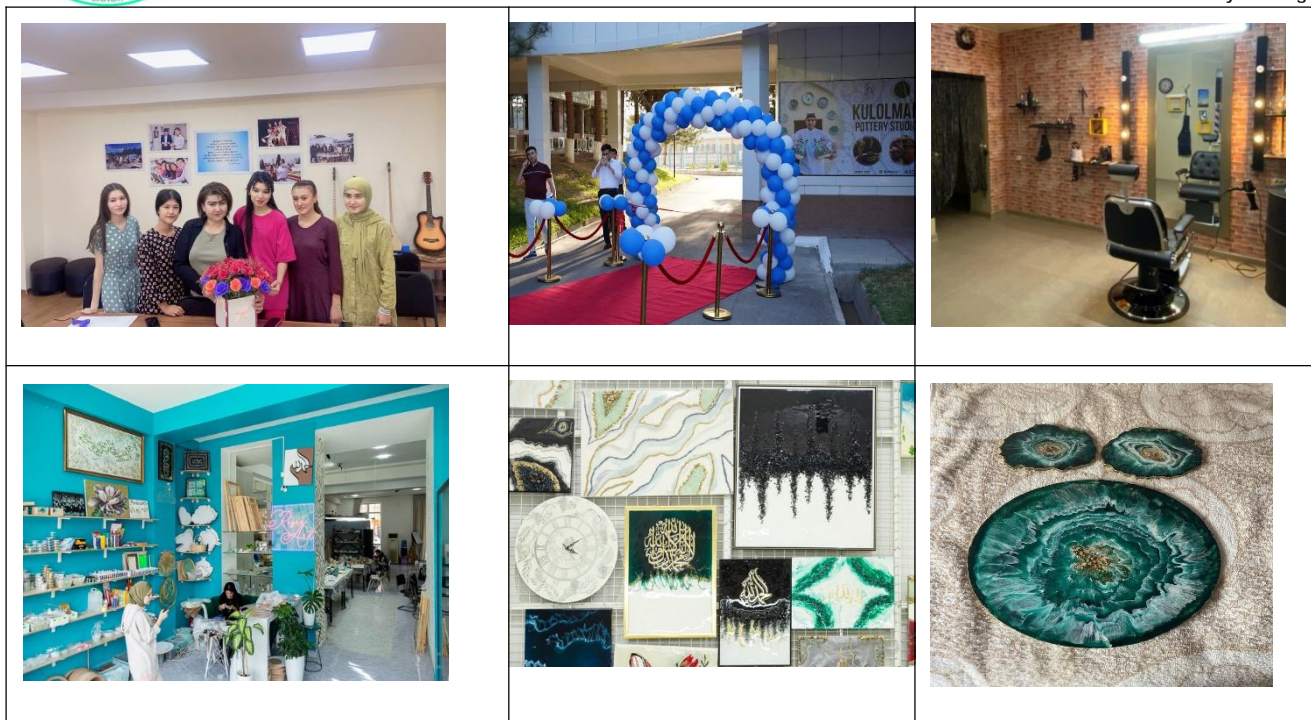
UzSWLU’s sustainability-related startups contribute to the achievement of the following SDGs:

SDG	Contribution
SDG 4 – Quality Education	Fostering sustainability education, skills development, and digital learning.
SDG 5 – Gender Equality	Promoting women’s entrepreneurship and inclusive participation.



SDG	Contribution
SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth	Supporting youth employment and green economy.
SDG 9 – Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure	Encouraging digital innovation and startup culture.
SDG 10 – Reduced Inequalities	Providing inclusive services and fair access to entrepreneurship opportunities.
SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities	Supporting eco-campus and cultural sustainability.
SDG 12 – Responsible Consumption and Production	Encouraging handmade, recyclable, and eco-friendly production.
SDG 13 – Climate Action	Raising awareness and behavioral change for climate responsibility.
SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals	Collaboration among students, staff, NGOs, and local industries.





Additional evidence link (i.e., for videos, more images, or other files that are not included in this file):

- [UzSWLU Official Website – Innovation Section](#)
- [UzSWLU Green Office Annual Report 2025](#)
- [Commercialization Department Startup Portfolio 2024–2025](#)
- https://www.instagram.com/resinartshop_uz/
- <https://t.me/UzSWLU/22603> ,
- <https://www.uzswlu.uz/ru/news/ozbekiston-davlat-jahon-tillari-universitetida-2024-yil-29-avgustda-kulolman-spin-off-ochilish-marosimi-bolib-otdi-1725461532>
- <https://t.me/UzSWLU/21563>

